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**RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

This Supplemental Amendment is filed pursuant to the telephone conversation between the Examiner and Applicant's representative on August 31, 2005. It is believed that no petition for extension of time is required. However, should any fees be required please charge any necessary fees to deposit account number 10-0750/ETH1613/WKW, in the name of Johnson & Johnson. Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows reconsidered in view thereof.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.